

A tad faster than the normal Pinto

by David Gravelle
In two weeks time automobiles will be cruising down Lakeshore Boulevard in Toronto at high rates of speed. They won't be the usual maniac drivers who transform the main arteries of the city in-

to dragstrips during rush hour. These cars will be going a tad faster than the normal Pinto... and will hopefully be under control a little more. Yes, it is time again for the Molson Indy, July 18,

being held for the second year in a row down and around the Toronto waterfront and Exhibition Place. Some of the best motor car drivers in the world will be in attendance. Even Jackie Stewart will be there, albeit as a TV colour

commentator. With car races, crashes are inevitable. Just ask local racer Gunther Schmidt who has probably seen more than his fair share of dented fenders. The CFTR road report crew won't be needed for this event. The

eyes of the world will see each spine-tingling moment through the camera lenses of world wide television coverage. My hope through all the hoopla surrounding this event is that drivers who are already jerks on the

road won't turn into greater jerks by watching these pros on TV or in person. I spend a lot of time on the road. And, more and more I wonder when my luck is going to run out. Knock on wood. I go up

and down Highways 69, 400 and 401 every week, never mind the in-town driving I do. It never ceases to amaze me how people weave in and out of traffic, cut me off, and so on. And, not all those people doing that are men. Yes, I know it's hard to believe but some of those excellent drivers of the female persuasion screw up once in a while.

This leads me to the focal point of my story today. Last week, cruising home from Parry Sound late at night, my partner and I at CKCO-TV experienced something that could have put us two meters under very easily.

I had just told Jim Armstrong what a great job he was doing driving. (I had nodded off and awakened mid-way home.) He said it was about time I congratulated him on his driving skills.

...All of a sudden, heading in our direction, were four bright lights. A transport was to our left and the other set of lights was not in our lane but to our right.

Zoom! We zipped between the pair of oncoming vehicles as we held our breath: Having been perilously close to death, we did what came naturally. We burst out laughing. I don't know if it was from fear or from the coincidence of my comment to Jim on his good driving or what, but we were bowling over.

Finally we calmed down enough to rationalize the situation. However, we still could not comprehend why this jerk was in our shoulder lane.

We've come to the conclusion that the driver, whoever he or she was, tried to pass the rig but realized he/she wasn't going to make it and went across the highway to get out of our path.

I hope and I pray that the upcoming Molson Indy does not lead to idiot driving such as I've related to you.

Safe driving this summer.



Set up

Kathy Scheineman prepares to set up her teammate for a spike in Saturday's Triples Tournament at

Midland's Little Lake Park. Midland/Huronian Volleyball Club sponsored the event. Similar tour-


naments are run throughout the summer on the beach courts at Little Lake Park.



Swish

Midland's Little Lake Park is not just a tourist area for people to swim and sun, but it also affords sporting people the opportunity to enjoy their favorite pastime. Every second Saturday, teams from all over con-

verge in the park to participate in volleyball tournaments sponsored by Midland/Huronian Volleyball Club.



MIDLAND YMCA

Day Care is a growing need in our community. The Y.M.C.A. of Midland is hoping to address that need. We are in the process of searching for appropriate property for lease:

Specifies of property are:

- Commercial zoned
- Within town of Midland.
- 2300 sq. ft. of usable indoor space.
- Outdoor space suitable for playground and parking.

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